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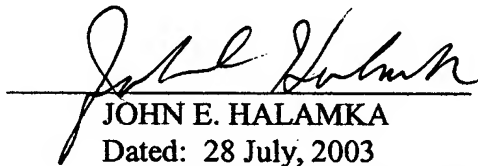
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For: TOOL FOR QUICK REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION OF DRAIN

Enclosed are the United States Patent and Trademark Office combined Declaration and Power of Attorney.

For the above identified patent, Applicant's Attorney did not file the Declaration and Power of Attorney with the patent application. Applicant's Attorney hereby submits the Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above identified patent. Applicant's Attorney understands that there is a surcharge for late filing of the Declaration and Power of Attorney. That surcharge is believed to be \$65.00 and authorizes that to be withdrawn from deposit account.

  
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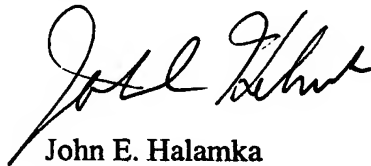
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- Late POA summary*
- [ XX ] The fee for filing ~~this~~ application for Patent authorized by 37 CFR which we believe to be \$375.00.
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- [ XX ] Any additional fees under 37 CFR.
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UNITED STATE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY  
(Original, Design, National Stage of PCT, Supplemental, Divisional,  
Continuation or CIP Application)

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

This declaration is for the following type application:

- ☒: original based upon a provisional patent filing  
☐: design  
☐: national stage of PCT  
☐: supplemental  
☐: divisional  
☐: continuation  
☐: continuation-in-part (CIP)

INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION

My residence, post office address and citizenship are stated below next to my name. I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (or an original, first and joint inventor) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: \_\_ TOOL FOR QUICK REMOVAL AND INSTALATION OF DRAIN\_\_

SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION

the specification of which:

- ☒: is attached hereto.  
☐: was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_,  
and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

NOTE: Amendments filed after the original papers are deposited with the PTO which contain new matter are not accorded a filing date by being referred to the declaration. Accordingly, the amendments involved are those filed with the application papers, or, in the case of a supplemental declaration, are those amendments claiming matter not encompassed in the original statement of invention or claims. See 37 CFR 1.67.

#### PCT APPLICATION ENTERING NATIONAL STAGE

\_\_\_\_\_: was described and claimed in International Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_, and amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if any).

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations Section 1.56 (a).

\_\_\_\_\_: In compliance with this duty there is attached an information disclosure statement. 37 C.F.R. 1.97.

#### PRIORITY CLAIM

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119 of any foreign applications/s for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

\_\_\_\_\_: XX: no such applications have been filed.

\_\_\_\_\_: such applications have been filed as follows:

EARLIEST FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), IF ANY FILED WITHIN 12 MONTHS (6 MONTHS FOR DESIGN) PRIOR TO THIS U.S. APPLICATION

Country Application Number: Date of Filing: Priority Claimed  
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I do claim priority for a provisional patent filing for this device filed on 6/24/02 as serial number 60/390,548 upon which this application is based.

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorney/s to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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#### DECLARATION

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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Title: \_\_\_\_\_ TOOL FOR QUICK REMOVAL AND INSTALATION OF  
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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that I  
qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for  
purposes of paying reduced fees under section 41(a) and (b) of  
Title 35, United States Code, to the Patent and Trademark Office  
with regard to the invention entitled TOOL FOR QUICK REMOVAL  
AND INSTALATION OF DRAIN described in"

\_\_\_\_\_  
:XX: the specification filed herewith,

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I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

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